

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-14 (cancelled).

15. (currently amended) A stage element having a base region and a transport drive integrated into the base region ~~of the transport drive~~, said transport drive comprises at least one ~~driven~~ roller element connected to a first drive means for moving the ~~driven~~ at least one roller element between a retracted position wherein the stage element base region rests on a base and an extended position wherein the stage element base region is lifted off of the base, the transport drive further comprises a second drive means for rotating the at least one roller element about an axis A which is substantially perpendicular to the base region, and a third drive means for rotating the at least one roller element about an axis B such that, when the at least one roller element is in the extended position, the stage element moves along the base wherein the roller element is pivotably mounted in the housing on a cross member and a lever arm in connected between the cross member and the first drive means for actuating the cross member for pivotably moving the roller element.

16-18 (canceled).

19. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 17, further including a plurality of transport drive integrated into different regions of the base region.

20. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 19, wherein the plurality of transport drives are connected to one another via bus interfaces and can be driven jointly or individually.

21. (currently amended) The stage element according to claim 17, wherein the ~~driven~~ at least one roller element is in a housing, in which the first drive means is provided in order to pivot the driven element in a Z direction.

22. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 21, wherein the housing is inserted into a recess in the stage element, wherein the housing is flat and flush with the base region.

23. (currently amended) The stage element according to claim 22, wherein the housing is rotated through 360° about the axis ~~(A)~~ A in the recess ~~(1)~~ of the base element by the ~~third~~ second drive means.

24. (currently amended) The stage element according to claim 23, wherein the housing is seated in the recess and mounted on a bearing such that it ~~can be~~ rotated by a shaft which is driven in rotation via a gear element by means of a further drive gear engaging in the latter and belonging to the ~~third~~ second drive means.

25. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 20, wherein the stage element has a rechargeable power source.

26. (currently amended) The stage element according to claim 17, wherein via an at least one control device, the at least one ~~driven~~ at least one roller element can be driven rotationally, pivotable about the axis ~~(B)~~ B, and rotatable about the axis ~~(A)~~ A.

27. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 26, wherein, via the at least one control device (15), wire-free driving from the outside is carried out in order to move the stage element and lower the stage element (R) onto a base (8).

28. (previously presented) The stage element according to claim 15, wherein a plurality of stage elements (R) can be driven in a wire-free manner so as to be rotatable as desired, movable in the X and/or Y direction and capable of being driven.